THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) A statement is attached (See below).

(b) Price increases are made by Maruti Udyog Limited on considerations of cost, market and other commercial factors.

Statement

Excise duty cuts granted in the 1993-94 Budget were passed on in full to the customers. Changes in ex-factory prices during the current year are :

(Figures in Rupees)

Model	w.e.f. 1.1.93	w.e.f. 1.3.93	w.e.f. 2.9.93	w.e.f. 1.2.94
M 800 Std	1,57,901	1,42,633	1,42,900	No change
M 800 Ac	1,85,499	1,67,562	1,77,021	No change
Omni (FR)	1,45,169	1,31,132	1,39,459**	No change
Gypsy (ST)	2,31,150	2,08,718	2,23,732£*	2,33,591
M 1000 Std	3,21,232	2,90,143	2,97,500	3,05,907
M 1000 Ac	3,50,674	3,16,765	3,24,123	3,32,530
Zen	..	..	2,80,650	No Change

Note :—Prices are rounded off to the nearest rupee.

*w.e.f. 15-7-93.
**w.e.f. 1-10-93.

The volume of the Maruti 800 and Omni is about 85 per cent of the total production. Prices of these vehicles as well as the Maruti 1000 are lower now than in the beginning of 1993.

Proposals approved for foreign direct investment

3148. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved a number of foreign direct investment (FDI) proposals during the year 1993; and

(b) if so, ihe details of these FDI proposals alongwith the names of the countries and companies, names of the projects approved and the total proposed investment in wach of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During "he year 1993, 785 proposals involving foreign direct investment of Rs. 8859.33 crores have been approved.

Details of these proposals cleared viz. name of the Indian Company, name of the foreign collaborator and the country to which it belongr, item of manufacture in each proposal are published by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to their Monthly Newsletter and copies of ihese are regularly supplied to the Parliament Liberary.

Performance of BHEL

3149. SHRI AHMED MOHMED BHAI PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether BHEL which was the front-line company to the power equipment sector, has found side-lined in the in ernational competition.

(b) if so, whether the BHEL management has ponied has pointed out that based on firm orders its capacity utilisation has been around 50 per cent in 1994-95;

(c) whether the BHEL authorities have commented that this lop sided attitude of Government has caused set back to development;

(d) whether in 1991-92 the centre have provided orders for 5,295 MW of thermal and 2,740 MW of hydel power;

(e) if so, whether during the years 1993-94 and 1994-95 no order has been placed to the BHEL so far;

(f) if so, what are the main reasons for this set back to the BHEL; and

(g) what are the efforts that are being made by Government to help the BHEL improve power capacity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT.